

RICE

*Exchange of notes at Rio de Janeiro December 23, 1946, modifying
agreement of December 21, 1943*¹

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The American Ambassador to the Brazilian Minister of Foreign Affairs

EMBASSY OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
RIO DE JANEIRO
December 23, 1946

No. 245

EXCELLENCY:

I have the honor to inform Your Excellency, with reference to the negotiations between the Brazilian authorities and the representatives of the Governments of the United States of America and of the United Kingdom, in regard to the quota of 10,000 tons of rice reserved by Brazil for sale from the 1945-46 crop to Argentina, French Guiana, Bolivia, Venezuela, Colombia, Peru, Paraguay, Uruguay and the Dutch and French West Indies, in accordance with the Agreement in force, that the Government of the United States of America agrees to the modification of the Agreement referred to, in the following terms:

I. The Governments of Brazil, of the United States of America and of the United Kingdom agree that the quota of 10,000 metric tons of rice reserved by Brazil in accordance with the Agreement of the 21st December, 1943, for sale to Argentina, French Guiana, Bolivia, Peru, Venezuela, Colombia, Paraguay, Uruguay and the Dutch and French West Indies be increased to 13,000 metric tons, and that this shall be withdrawn from the crop of 1945-1946 of rice produced in the States of Piauí, Maranhão and Pará.

II. The shipment of rice produced in other States will not be permitted by the Brazilian Government to the countries and possessions specified in paragraph I of this Note.

¹ TIAS 1517, *ante*, p. 969.

III. The 3,463 metric tons of rice of the 1945-1946 crop from Southern Brazil destined to some of the countries and possessions specified in paragraph I of this Note and for which export licenses have already been issued, are considered to be additional to the above-mentioned quota.

IV. The Governments of Brazil, of the United States of America and of the United Kingdom agree that the maximum price for rice referred to in paragraph I of this Note shall be the equivalent of Cr\$150.00 per sack of 60 kilos f.o.b. São Luiz, Parnaíba and Belem in terms of U.S. currency or sterling at the export rate of exchange in force on the 15th August last. Moreover, the sale of this rice will be effected in accordance with the terms of that part of the existing Agreement relating to the quota for the countries and possessions specified in paragraph I of this Note.

V. The Brazilian Government undertakes to issue instructions to its representative on the International Emergency Food Council to inform that organization about the distribution of rice made by the Brazilian authorities to the countries and possessions specified above in order that the aforesaid Council may take such distribution into consideration when arranging allocations of rice from all other sources.

VI. The quota reserved for the countries and possessions enumerated is thus increased from 10,000 to 16,463 metric tons of rice.

2. This note and the notes of Your Excellency and of the British Ambassador of similar tenor and bearing the same date constitute a formal agreement between the three Governments on this subject.²

I avail myself of this opportunity to renew to Your Excellency the assurances of my highest consideration.

WILLIAM D. PAWLEY

His Excellency

Dr. RAUL FERNANDES

Minister for Foreign Affairs

Rio de Janeiro

The Brazilian Minister of Foreign Affairs to the American Ambassador

[TRANSLATION]

MINISTRY OF FOREIGN RELATIONS

RIO DE JANEIRO

December 23, 1946

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MR. AMBASSADOR,

I have the honor to inform Your Excellency that, with reference to the negotiations carried on between the Brazilian authorities and the representatives of the Governments of the United States of America and the United

Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, with respect to the quota of 10,000 tons of rice from the 1945-46 crop reserved by Brazil in conformity with the existing Agreement for sale to Argentina, French Guiana, Bolivia, Venezuela, Colombia, Peru, Paraguay, Uruguay, the Netherland West Indies and the French West Indies, the Brazilian Government agrees to a modification of the Agreement in question on the following bases:

I. The Governments of Brazil, the United States of America, and the United Kingdom agree to the increase from 10,000 metric tons to 13,000 metric tons in the quota of rice reserved by Brazil in conformity with the Agreement of December 21, 1943, for sale to Argentina, French Guiana, Bolivia, Venezuela, Colombia, Peru, Paraguay, the French West Indies and the Netherland West Indies. This quota shall be taken from the crop of 1945-46 and shall consist only of rice produced in the States of Piauí, Maranhão and Pará.

II. No shipment of rice produced by other states shall be authorized by the Brazilian Government to the countries and possessions specified in Item I of this note.

III. The following is considered as an addition to the said quota: 3,463 metric tons of rice from the South, from the crop of 1945-46, which are intended for certain of the countries and possessions specified in Item I of this note and for which export licenses had been issued.

IV. The Governments of Brazil, the United States of America and the United Kingdom agree that a maximum price be fixed for the rice referred to in item I of this note, equivalent to 150.00 cruzeiros per 60-kilo bag, F.O.B. São Luiz, Parnaíba and Belém, in American dollars or pounds sterling, at the rate of exchange for export in force on August 15 last. Moreover, the sale of this rice shall be made in conformity with the provisions of the existing Agreement, in the section relative to the quota assigned to the countries and possessions specified in item I of this Note.

V. The Brazilian Government undertakes to issue instructions to its representatives on the International Emergency Food Council to the end that this agency may be informed of the distribution of rice made by the Brazilian authorities to the countries and possessions specified in item I of this note, in order that the said Council may take such distribution into consideration when it fixes the quotas of rice from all other sources.

VI. The quota reserved for the countries and possessions in question is thus raised from 10,000 to 16,463 metric tons of rice.

2. This note, that of Your Excellency and that of the Embassy of Great Britain, of like tenor and of the same date, constitute a formal agreement among the three Governments on this question.²

² For text of note of Dec. 23, 1946, from British Ambassador to Brazilian Minister of Foreign Affairs, see 61 Stat. 2947 or p. 5 of TIAS 1627.

I avail myself of this opportunity to renew to Your Excellency the assurances of my highest consideration.

RAUL FERNANDES

His Excellency

WILLIAM DOUGLAS PAWLEY

Ambassador of the United States of America